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December 9, 2014

Mr. Bruce Bailey
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Re: Biosolids Site Review

Dear Mr. Bailey:

Ohio EPA received a request on December 9, 2014 from quasar energy group to include the following sites as part of the Ringler Energy, LLC biosolids management program:

<u>Field ID</u>	<u>Ohio EPA Site No.</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Township</u>
DEQ-02-02	21-00193	Delaware	Oxford
DEQ-02-03	21-00194	Delaware	Oxford

These sites, owned by Kathy Schmidt and operated by William Thurston are located northeast of the intersection of McCurdy Road and Leonardsburg Road.

A review of these sites was conducted by Ohio EPA. Consideration was given to soil and landscape characteristics, isolation distances from residences, geology and ground water conditions and the proximity to waterways and wells.

The review indicated that portions of these sites contain hydrologic group D soils. Please refer to Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 3745-40-08 (B)(2) for beneficial use restrictions for group D soils.

These sites are authorized to be included as part of the Ringler Energy biosolids program. This authorization is subject to conditions contained in both the NPDES permit and OAC 3745-40. Conditions contained in the NPDES permit and OAC 3745-40 may differ. In such cases, the more restrictive conditions from either the NPDES permit or OAC 3745-40 shall govern. Highlights of these conditions are as follows:

1. Biosolids shall not be applied in buffer zones.
2. In accordance with federal/state rules, biosolids may not be applied within 33 feet of surface waters of the state.

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3. Biosolids application shall be timed to avoid periods of excessive wetness to help prevent runoff from a site.
4. Records for the application of biosolids on these sites shall be maintained in accordance with the requirements found in OAC 3745-40-09(C).

All biosolids beneficially used at these sites shall be injected beneath the surface of the ground or immediately incorporated into the soil.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (614) 644-2150 or via email at betsy.vanwormer@epa.ohio.gov.

Sincerely,

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Beneficial Use Site Authorization
Ringler Energy, LLC

Ohio EPA Sites 21-00193 and 21-00194
Field IDs: DEQ-02-02 and DEQ-02-03

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